IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Mueller et al. Confirmation No.: 1828

Serial No.: 09/891,715 Art Unit: 3763

Filed: June 26, 2001 Examiner: Rodriguez, Cris

Lorien

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS Attorney Docket No: 008563-999140

FOR TREATING ISCHEMIC

TISSUE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated 9/27/06 be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from 10/27/06 to and including 12/27/06.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$450. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 18, 2006 s/Brent P. Ray 54,390

Brent P. Ray (Reg. No.)

JONES DAY

222 East 41st Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 326-3939